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To Whom It Concerns:

I am 100% FOR the litigation against Microsoft to be finalized. In my opinion the suite should never have been brought in the first place. We as tax payers foot the bill for the litigation. We as consumers foot the bill when any settlement is imposed. Any thinking person knows that "the cost of doing business" is passed directly to the consumer, the investor or both. The worst case is that a company goes out of business because of Government tyranny.

So, settle with Microsoft and let them get on with life, so we consumers and taxpayers can see an end to money being wasted (by Government) and so we can continue to get the fine flow of products we have become accustomed to. The fact that we are in a recession should mean that government gets off everyone's back, not further complicate and harass business.  
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